

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A SENATE RESOLUTION to memorialize internationally
renown author and Indiana native Kurt Vonnegut.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION to memorialize internationally renowned author and Indiana native Kurt Vonnegut.

Whereas, Kurt Vonnegut was an seminal figure in post-World War II literature that gave voice to an entire generation of Americans through unmatched humor, satire, and creativity;

Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut's unique and thought provoking style blended vernacular speech, humor, and science fiction;

Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut's famous pessimism and black humor was tempered by a commitment to human kindness;

Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut authored 14 novels that ranged from fiction to autobiography, fantasy to stark reality, and humanism to religion;

Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut's most transcendent works include "Slaughterhouse-Five," "Cat's Cradle," and "God Bless You, Mr. Rosewater" that caught the temper of his times;

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Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut was born in Indianapolis to a prominent family and attended Shortridge High School;

Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut is being honored by the City of Indianapolis by making 2007 the "Year of Vonnegut," an event for which he expressed deep appreciation;

Whereas, Mr. Vonnegut was an active lecturer and an opponent of censorship who, throughout his life, maintained a steady moral compass; and

Whereas, the death of Mr. Vonnegut will leave a void in the literary world and in the hearts of his fellow Hoosiers, so it goes; Therefore:

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. The Indiana State Senate hereby memorializes
2 internationally renown author and Indiana native Kurt Vonnegut.

3 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a
4 copy of this resolution to the Vonnegut Family.

